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Conservation Commission Minutes 01/20/2011

Arlington Conservation Commission
Minutes
January 20, 2011

Mr. Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall Annex. Present were Nathaniel Stevens, David White, Charles Tirone, Ellen Reed, Curt Connors and Catherine Garnett of the Commission. Nellie Aikenhead, Brian Rehrig and Ed Trembly were also in attendance.

7:45 pm – Commission Business

Connors/Reed motioned to approve the 1/6 minutes as edited; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. White reported on two snow dumping violations into No Name (Geri's) Brook, one at Menotomy Village Shopping center and the other at Viking Court apartments. Both properties have done this before. Reed/White motioned to approved proceeding with enforcement actions; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. White also restated the need to put up erosion controls along the Mill Brook at the Forest St property owned by the Arlington Housing Corporation.

The Commission discussed their participation in Ecofest on 3/26, Saturday from 10-2pm. They would like to organize a lecture on what to plant in areas that have invasive plants removed. They will ask Francis Clark if she is interested or knows someone who can educate us.

8pm Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Determination – Dothan St lot

Ms. Beckwith reported that the applicants wish to continue this hearing until the spring time in order to allow the Commission to confirm the information during the growing season.

Mr. Trembly presented two photos showing 3 feet of floodwater on the fence at the property line. This flooding occurred in Dec, 2010 or Jan, 2011.

White/Connors motioned to continue this hearing, with the applicants permission, to 5/6/2011 at 8pm; motion passed unanimously.

8:30pm Discussion – Conservation Restriction for Elizabeth Island

Ms. Aikenhead presented the draft restriction to the Commission. Multiple comments were discussed and the other parties will review and come to a final document to forward to the state for approval.

White/Connors motioned to support the edited draft of the Conservation Restriction; motion passed unanimously.

8:45pm Amendments to Bylaw Regulations

The Commission review comments from Town Counsel.

Reed/Garnett motioned to approve the latest revisions of the regulations; motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Corinna Beckwith
Commission Administrator